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Applicants : Fan et al.

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DOMAINS AND USE THEREOF

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the November 9, 2004, written restriction requirement, applicant hereby elects Group II (i.e. claims 100-102) with traverse. Applicants submit that the claims of the present application are closely related and, therefore, require common areas of search and consideration. Since no benefit is derived from imposing this restriction requirement, it should be withdrawn in its entirety.

Respectfully submitted,

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